

Guide for Review of Floodplains and Wetlands			
Name of Program Participant:			
Staff Consulted:			
Name of Grant Program(s):			
Name of Activity/Project Reviewed:		Location:	
Name(s) of Reviewer(s):		Date:	

NOTE: All questions that address requirements contain the citation for the source of the requirement (statute, regulation, NOFA, or grant agreement). If the requirement is not met, HUD must make a finding of noncompliance. All other questions (questions that do not contain the citation for the requirement) do not address requirements, but are included to assist the reviewer in understanding the participant's program more fully and/or to identify issues that, if not properly addressed, could result in deficient performance. Negative conclusions to these questions may result in a "concern" being raised, but not a "**finding**."

Instructions: This Exhibit is designed to evaluate the Responsible Entity's (RE's) compliance with requirements governing floodplains and wetlands. One Exhibit is to be completed for each project or activity selected to be monitored where floodplains or wetlands were a review concern. Note that wetlands requirements in this Exhibit apply only to new construction.

Questions:

1.

<p>Did the RE determine whether the proposed action selected for monitoring was located in a wetland and/or the 100-year floodplain (500-year floodplain for "critical actions") or whether the action had the potential to measurably affect, or be measurably affected by, a floodplain or wetland? [24 CFR 58.5(b)]</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes No</p>
<p>Describe Basis for Conclusion:</p>	

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2.

<p>Does the Environmental Review Record (ERR) indicate whether required alternatives were evaluated, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• alternative sites outside the floodplain or wetlands?• alternative actions which serve the same purpose, but which have less adverse impact?• alternative of no action? <p>[24 CFR 55.27]</p>	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>
<p>Describe Basis for Conclusion:</p>	

3.

<p>Did the analysis of each alternative consider the necessary factors, where relevant, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• natural environment (topography, habitat, hazards, etc.);• social concerns (aesthetics, historic and cultural values, land use patterns, etc.);• economic aspects (costs or space, construction, services, and relocation); and• legal constraints (deeds, leases, etc.)?	<div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> No</div>
<p>Describe Basis for Conclusion:</p>	

4.

For wetlands projects, did the analysis consider the necessary factors relevant to the project's effect on:	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> the survival and quality of the wetlands; public health, safety, and welfare; maintenance of natural systems; and other uses of wetlands? 	Yes	No	N/A
Describe Basis for Conclusion:			

5.

Did the analysis demonstrate that the location of the project on the floodplain (or, in the case of new construction, wetland) site was the only practical alternative?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
[Executive Order 11988, Sec.2(a)(2) and Executive Order 11990, Sec.2(a)]	Yes	No
Describe Basis for Conclusion:		

6.

Did the RE design or modify the selected project so as to:		
a. minimize harm to, or within, the floodplain; [24 CFR 55.20(e)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No
b. minimize the destruction, loss or degradation of wetlands; [Executive Order 11990, Secs.1(a) and 2(a)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No
c. restore and preserve natural and beneficial floodplain values; [24 CFR 55.20(e)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No
d. preserve and enhance natural and beneficial wetland values; [Executive Order 11990, Sec.1(a)]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No

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e. comply with the standards of the National Flood Insurance Program?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No
Describe Basis for Conclusion: 		

7.

If applicable to the project, has the RE complied with the Coastal Barrier Resources Act? [24 CFR 58.6]	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Yes	No	N/A
Describe Basis for Conclusion: 			